

Annotation

The thesis „The social view of the impact of epilepsy on adults“ is focusing on the specification of psychosomatic factors that are influencing the life of an adult with epilepsy. The thesis is divided into three parts.

In the theoretical part, the disease epilepsy, diagnostic, therapy and treatment are defined, a fit of epilepsy is classified, and moreover, the first aid during the epileptic fit is described. Another part of the thesis is dedicated to description of some areas of life of the adult with epilepsy, which are bringing certain limitations to everyday life. This includes the family life and also problematic of professional life and possible job restrictions. These areas are described with regards to influences of lifestyle, medication, sleeping habits and leisure time activities on the life of a person with epilepsy. The thesis also focus on the problematic of social stigmatization, social isolation and on the list of possible psychological changes and cognitive problems of people with epilepsy, that occurs as a result of this diagnosis.

The practical part of the thesis is dedicated to processing of results from conducted survey. The main research task of the survey was to discover, which parts of the life of an adult with epilepsy are affected the most. The results are sorted, analysed and structured to verbal evaluations and graphic charts.

Key words

epilepsy, epileptic fit (fit of epilepsy), adulthood, leisure time (leisure time activities), success on the labour market, family, friendship, lifestyle, social impact of epilepsy